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Examiner : Richard L. Chiesa
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12. (Original) The fuel system of claim 8, further comprising a bleed air passage coupled to the mixing chamber.

13. (Original) The fuel system of Claim 8, wherein the fuel nozzle comprises a metering hole in a wall of a tube having a through hole linked to the constant-fuel chamber and wherein the discharge flange is fitted and disposed in a retaining hole by positioning the discharge flange in almost the same plane with the surface of said intake channel, the metering needle extends across the intake channel and penetrates into the through hole and forms the fuel adjusting part together with the metering hole, the mixing chamber is provided around the tube.

14. (Withdrawn) The fuel system of Claim 8 wherein the aperture is a hole.

15. (Withdrawn) The fuel system of Claim 8 wherein the aperture comprises a plurality of holes.

16. (Original) The fuel system of Claim 8 wherein the aperture comprises a ring like gap.

REMARKS

In the office action dated April 5, 2004, the examiner objected to the specification and issued a restriction requirement on the basis of the application containing "claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention: (A)

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Figures 1, 2A, 2 B, (B) Figures 3A, 3B, (C) Figures 4A, 4B, (D) Figures 5A, 5B, (E)
Figures 6A, 6B, (F) Figure 7 and (G) Figure 8.

Objections to the Specification

Applicant has amended paragraph [0001] to address the examiner's objection thereto. Applicant submits that no new matter has been added.

Restriction Requirement

Applicant elects species (C) Figures 4A, 4B and submits that claims 1-2, 4, 8-13, and 16 read on species (C). In view of the foregoing election, Applicant withdraws claims 3, 5, 6-7, and 14-15 from consideration at this time. Should generic claims 1 and 8 be found allowable, Applicant will request claims 3, 5, 6-7, and 14-15 reconsidered.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully asserts the application is in condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable action on the merits of the claims is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, the undersigned can be reached at (949) 567-6700.

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